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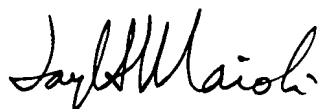
Claims 1-6 remain in the application and have been amended hereby.

As will be noted from the Declaration, Applicants are citizens and residents of Japan and this application originated there.

Accordingly, the amendments made to the specification are provided to place the application in idiomatic English, and the claims are amended to place them in better condition for examination.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE
IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-6 by rewriting same to read as follows.

--1. (Amended) An on-vehicle video camera comprising:
imaging means [which converts] for converting image light into an electrical imaging signal [to output] and outputting the imaging signal as a video signal in a predetermined format;
light emitting means for lighting an imaging area of said imaging means; and

control means for controlling [the] an imaging operation of said imaging means and the lighting operation of said light emitting means so as to be operably synchronized with each other.

--2. (Amended) [An] The on-vehicle video camera according to Claim 1, wherein said light emitting means includes means for emitting infrared light in a predetermined band, and said imaging means [does not filter out] is responsive to an infrared signal component in the predetermined band [which is contained in the imaging signal].

--3. (Amended) [An] The on-vehicle video camera according to Claim 1, wherein said control means causes said light emitting means to emit light during the imaging operation of said imaging means when said control means detects that a vehicle light has been turned on.

--4. (Amended) [An] The on-vehicle video camera according to Claim 1, wherein said control means determines illuminance of the surroundings of a vehicle, and causes said light emitting means to emit light during the imaging operation of said imaging means

according to [the] a determined illuminance.

--5. (Amended) [An] The on-vehicle video camera according to Claim 1, wherein said imaging means and said light emitting means are included in a housing [which] that forms an outside mirror of a vehicle.

--6. (Amended) [An] The on-vehicle video camera according to Claim 5, wherein said control means causes said imaging means to perform the imaging operation when said control means detects a predetermined operation of a turn signal of the vehicle.